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Dear Phil,

You may recall that almost a year ago you were very helpful in getting for me copies of photos and other material of the old "Cape York". Those photos are now framed and on the wall of my bolt hole together with photos of other ships in which I served over the years. My wife calls this "The Shrine"!!!, and the grandchildren have to whisper when they come in.

I have another request, but this time it is simply for a name and address.

I am doing a lot of family history research, and one track I am wandering down is that of my father's brother Harold. Harold had a variety of life experiences, one of which was a young sailor in the R.A.N., another of which was as a Digger in the Middle East back in the early 1940s. One which I am trying to get a handle on is his time as a Merchant Seaman.

So the request is, can you refer me to a department in AMSA which might have records of ships' crews? The info I have about Harold's MN experience is literally non existent. From a photograph I would guess he did sea service in the years immediately prior to the war, that is from 1937 to 1940, but that is purely a guess. I don't think it could have been post war, but maybe.

Harold Robert Stevens was born 2/9/1902 Point Lonsdale Victoria, and died 10/3/1954 Brisbane. By occupation he was a builder. On joining the Army he was attached to an artillery unit.

I recognise that this is very poor information with which to commence a search, but it is all I currently have. So, to whom do I write please?

Best wishes,

George Stevens

Re Dick & Hrows

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Our reference:

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23 May 2000

Dear Mr Stevens

Thank you for your correspondence which has been received in this office.
We will respond to your inquiry as soon as possible.

If you have any further queries regarding this matter please contact our
Reference Services section on (03) 9285 7903.

Yours sincerely,

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I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your recent letter.

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Yours faithfully

J. Marie Hart

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Dear Librarian,

I have been advised by the Maritime & Coastguard Agency that your library has a copy of the Immigration Index to assisted immigrants arriving in Sydney 1844 - 1896

As part of my family history research I would like to know details of the passages from UK to Australia of 3 ancestors. The extent of the search information I have in each of the 3 cases is quite limited, but may be adequate for successful searches to be conducted. There's optimism for you!

I do not know what search facilities you offer us cricket supremos down under, and maybe you would be kind enough to advise me, and also let me know what charges I would incur. And on this point of communicating back to me, please write or use email as my geriatric fax machine requires instant and personal TLC for it to operate satisfactorily.

1. William Stevens

Born 31.8.1828 in Westbourne West Sussex. Believed to have had either Royal Navy or Merchant Marine training and experience. Unconfirmed but believed he arrived in Port Fairy in the (then) Colony of Victoria between 1857 & 1858

2. John James Woods

Born 5 April 1877 in Garrison Co. Fermanagh NI. Thought to have arrived in Sydney some time between 1894 and 1899.

3. Elizabeth Maxwell

Born Irvinestown NI 24 August 1872. Believed to have arrived in Sydney as an unmarried woman between 1890 and 1895

If you are able to help me at all, I will be very grateful, and if you cannot assist, I promise I wont go and sulk in the corner.

Sincerely,



George Stevens